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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF CONDEMNATION OF THE
AL-ASKARIYA SHRINE BOMBING - DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

REF: STATE 028802

Classified By: Political Officer Bainbridge Cowell for Reasons 1.4(b) and (d).

1, (C) Embassy delivered U.S. statements condemning the bombing of the Iraqi Al-Askariya shrine to MFA Africa and Middle East director Jose Juan Hernandez Cimadevilla on February 24. Political officer also requested that the Dominican Government issue its own statement condemning the attack and expressing support for Iraqi and international efforts to rebuild the shrine. Hernandez was already informed of this terrorist act and pledged to pass our request to a higher level and get back to us after a local holiday February 27. We will follow up and report any significant substantive reply.
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